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SUMMARY: THIS MESSAGE PRESENTS MISSION RECOMMENDATIONS CONCERNING WASHINGTON GUIDANCE REGARDING THE AD HOC GROUP'S DECEMBER 12 REQUEST FOR NEW NAC GUIDANCE. END SUMMARY.

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1. THE AD HOC GROUP ON DECEMBER 12 SUBMITTED ITS CUSTOMARY END-OF-THE-ROUND REQUEST TO THE NAC FOR GUIDANCE IN THE NEXT NEGOTIATING ROUND (REF A). NAC GUIDANCE, IN RESPONSE TO THE AHG REQUEST , WILL OF COURSE DEPEND ON INSTRUCTIONS FROM CAPITALS.

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2. MISSION BELIEVES IT USEFUL TO NOTE NATO'S EXPERIENCE WITH
THE LAST AHG REQUEST FOR GUIDANCE, THAT OF JULY 23. THE U.S.
WAS THE ONLY ALLY TO INITIATE PROPOSALS ON USE OF DATA. ALL
MAJOR GUIDANCE WHICH THE NAC TRANSMITTED TO THE AHG IN RESPONSE
TO THAT REQUEST WAS BASED ON INSTRUCTED PROPOSALS MADE BY THE
U.S. IN THE SPC. THIS WAS TRUE OF DEFINITION OF GROUND FORCES,
THE NON-INCREASE COMMITMENT ON AIR MANPOWER, AND THE PHASE
LINKAGE QUESTIONS (DURATION OF NON-INCREASE COMMITMENT AND
FIXED PERIOD BETWEEN PHASES). OF COURSE, OTHER ALLIES MAY BE MORE
ACTIVE AS INITIATORS OF PROPOSALS REGARDING THE CURRENT
AHG REQUEST, AS EVIDENCED BY INTERESST BY EUROPEANS IN A COUNTER
PROPOSAL TO THE EASTERN FREEZE PROPOSAL.

3. THE AHG REQUEST CALLS FOR GUIDANCE ON THE DEFINITIVE ALLIED
RESPONSE TO THE EASTERN FREEZE PROPOSAL. MISSION AGREES WITH
VIENNA IN REF B THAT THE ALLIES NEED TO DISPOSE OF THE EASTERN
FREEZE PROPOSAL, AND THE U.S. MAY WISH TO PROPOSE IN THE SPC
OUTRIGHT REJECTION AS AN INTIAL POSITION. NEVERTHELESS, THERE
IS STRONG SUPPORT AMONG THE OTHER ALLIES FOR SOME KIND OF A
COUNTER-PROPOSAL, BASED ON PRECEPTIONS BY THE ALLIES OF THEIR
REQUIREMENTS MIS-A-VIS DOMESTIC OPINION.

4. THE U. S. WILL NEED TO TAKE INTO CONSIDERATION THIS
STRONGLY HELD VIEW OF THE OTHER ALLIES. MISSION NOTES THAT
PARA 8 IN VIENNA'S REF B COULD SERVE AS THE BASIS FOR A FORM
OF COUNTER-PROPOSAL, I.E. TO PROPOSE AGAIN TO THE EAST, IN
A UNIFIED MANNER, THE EXISTING ALLIED PROPOSALS FOR NON-INCREASE
COMMITMENTS ON GROUND FORCES AND AIR MANPOWER, AS CONTAINED IN
C-M(74)30(REVISED), ADDENDUM 2 TO C-M(74)30(REVISED), AND
C-M(74)83, WHILE DRAWING ON SOME OF THE ARGUMENTATION IN
PARA 8, REF B CONCERNING THE EASTERN FREEZE. WASHINGTON
GUIDANCE SHOULD INCLUDE COMMENT ON THE UK COUNTER-PROPOSAL,
AS CONTAINED IN PARA 4, REF C.

5. THE AHG REQUEST FOR NAC GUIDAN E ALSO CITES THE U.S.
PROPOSAL RE INCLUSION OF AIR MANPOWER IN THE COMMON
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CEILING, FOR WHICH THE MISSION HAS SUFFICIENT INSTRUCTIONS.

6. THE AHG REQUEST, IN PARA 7, ASKS NAC GUIDANCE ONUSE OF
AIRM MANPOWER DATA UNDER THE U.S. PORPOSAL RE INCLUSION OF AIR
MANPOWER IN THE COMMON CILING. MISSION HAS SUFFICIENT INSTRUCTIONS
ON THIS MATTER AS WELL, IN PARA II B(1), REF D(THE U.S. PAPER
ON AIR MANPOWER), WHICH CALLED FOR MAKING A
NON-NUMERIC STATEMEN OF THE LEVEL OF THE COMMON CEILING, AND
IF THE EAST WISHED FURTHER CLARIFICATION, OFFERING TO EXCHANGE
AIR MANPOWER DATA RECIPRICALLY.

7. THE AHG REQUEST IN PARA 8 AGAIN RAISES THE QEUSTION OF
UNILATERAL ALLIED PRESENTATION TO THE PACT OF REVISED DATA ON
GROUND FORCE TOTALS FOR BOTH SIDES. THE SPC CONSIDERED THE UMS.

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PROPOSAL FOR UNILATERAL, NON-RECIPROCAL USE OF THE REVISED TOTALS ONLY TOW MONTHS AGO, AND STRONG OPPOSITION BY THE UK,FRG AND BELGIUM PREVENTED SPC AGREEMENT. THE ALLIES INSTEAD AGREED TO THE U.S. PROPOSAL FOR A COMPROMISE, I.E. TO TELL THE EAST THAT OUR DATA SHOWED SMALL INCREASES OF ABOUT THE SAME MAGNITUDE ON BOTH SIDES, WITHOUT GIVING THE EAST THE NUMBERS. MISSION WILL NEED INSTRUCTIONS ON WHETHER WASHINGTON WISHES US TO REOPEN THIS ISSUE.

8. THE AHG ASKS GUIDANCE REGARDING THE FORM OF TH PHASE I AGREEMENT OF THE MULTILATERAL COMMITEMENTS RELATING O IT. THIS IS AN ISSUE WHICH THE UMS. HAS CONSIDERED PREMATURE IN THE PAST, FOR THE REASONS STATED IN REF E. MISSION WILL NEED TO KNOW OF WASHINGTON HAS COME TO ANY CONCLUSIONS YET WHICH IT MIGHT WISH ADDRESSED IN SPC.

9. VERIFICATION ALSO FIGURES IN AHG REQUST FOR GUIDANCE. LAST SPC DISCUSSION OF MAJOR VERIFICATION ISSUES WAS JULY 5, WHEN ALLIES DECIDED NOT TO RETURN TO VERIFICATION PENDING RESULTS OF ANY BILATERALS BETWEEN, AND ENCOURAGEMENT FROM, INTERESTED COUNTRIES (REF F). MSSION WILL NEED TO KNOW WHETHER WASHINGTON WISHES SPC TO RETURN TO VERIFICATION AT THIS TIME. THE SPC COULD RESUME WORK ON THE BRACKETED FIFTH VERSION OF ITS VERIFICATION PAPER (ISD/61(5TH REVISION), IN LIGHT OF MBFR WORKING GROUP MILITARY-TECHNICALWORK ON AERIAL INSECTIION AND FOXEF POST MONITOING. HOWEVER, THE BASIC POLITICAL ISSUE ON VERIFICTION REMAINS UNRESOLVED. GIVEN THE CONTINUED STRONG
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FRG VIEWS ON NEGOTIATED INSPECTION, A RESUMPTION OF SPC WORK WILL NOT SIGNIFICANTLY NARROW THE DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE FRG AND THE OTHER DIRECT PARTICIPANTS. MISSION WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY BONN'S VIEWS ON THIS MATTER. WASHINGTON MAY WISH TO DISCUSS THIS ISSUE FURTHER WITH THE FRG BILATERALLY BEFORE REQUESTING A RESUMPTION OF SPC WORK.

10. AHG REQUESTED GUIDANCE ON FLANK SECURITY. CURRENT STATUS OF SPC WORK ON THIS ISSUE DESCRIBED IN REF G. MISSION HAS WASHINGTON GUIDANCE (REF H), SHOULD ALLIES WISH TO RETRUN TO THIS SUBJECT. AHG ALSO REQUESTED GUIDANCE ON PARA 31 NON-CIRCUMVENTION PROVISIONS. WASHINGTON HAS IN THE PAST CONSIDERED WORK ON THIS SUBJECT PREMATURE UNTIL THE ALLIES HAVE A BETTER IDEA OF THE CONTENT OF THE PHASE I AGREEMENT, AND MISSION WILL NEED TO KNOW IF THIS CONTINUES TO BE WASHINGTON'S POSITION. FINALLY, THE MISSION WILL NEED INSTRUCTIONS RE THE AHG QUESTIONS CONCERNING TH LEGAL AND PRACTICAL BAIS S FOR COMPLIANCE WITH THE COLLECTIVE COMMON CEILING.

11. ACTION REQUESTED: WASHINGTON GUIDANCE, AS REQUESTED ABOVE. SPC WIL NEXT CONSIDER THE AHG REQUEST FOR NAC GUIDANCE ON MONDAY, JANUARY 6.
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